## A TENERS SERVED BEEVENGE.

and all the summer mystery.

It was on the eye of the battle of Solferino. The French regiments, which

camp were wide awake. Here and his life and soul seemed wrapped up wound. The face of the young officer there groups of men, lying on the in its being and existence. And now, was as calm and placid as a child grass around their tents, conversed in as to the sad sequel to my tale. issue of the coming battle.

ment of light dragoons. He had the La Corniche, so I decided to stay and "Sir, can you tell me the name of well-carned reputation of being one of sec them off. the most splendid officers in his own deservedly so.

bronzed face, he said :

"Quite so.'

ists." After a pause, headded: "You they found nothing." are right, perhaps, and so much the better. There are some thoughts which should be banished on the eve

strength we can command."

reassuring."

"you would know that the colonel killed. periodically gets the 'blues;' but we take no notice of them. They soon pass, and he becomes himself again."

ring depression?" all the regiment know the cause." "Except myself. I only joined three

rounds. He can tell the story best."

months aco.'

lay down upon the grass, lit a cigar, rowful, and talks about presinti- educated at the military school of and said:

"In' 1834, de Valmont, appointed lieutenand in the Chasseurs d'Afique, which had just been raised, landed in Algiers, where I was assistant surgeon attached to the military hospital. Though I was older than he, we soon struck up an acquaintance that ripened into friendship, which time has not inpaired. Eugene was young, good-looking, and a man of fascinating spend it.

change and return to France. His The superiority of the Austrian posiatre. In appearance she was decided- to the Austrians, who were obliged to ly handsome, of an olive-colored com- retreat, but her parents were Bohemians, who the fortunes of the day.

dancers by profession. with her last words that she would be Marguerite division of cavalry, in

revenged. De Valmont laughed at which de Valmont's light dragoons the threat. I, however, determined to charged in the first line. The shock keep an eye on the actions of the was terrific. The elements contribuyoung buly. In this resolve, however, ted to swell the frightful storms of war. I was folled. She left Algiers about a Peals of thunder bellowed forth and month after, and I never knew what vivid lightning played over the ghastly

become of her. "Nearly four years had passed since It was after the delivery of the back to France.

day, by long and dusty roads, under a said left Algiers to take on my new cannon ball. With one bound of his broffling sun, exhausted by fatigue, duties. Landing at Marseilles, I put horse the lieutenant was at the colowere encamped on an imminse plain, up at the Hotel Castellane, where the nel. De Valmont saw his sabre flash shut in by a chian of hills, on which first names I read in the list of arrivals as he raised it to cut him down. He towered the white houses of the town. were those of Count and Counters de had only time to pull the trigger of Lightning, playing among the leaden- Valmont. We met with joy after our his pistol and the Austrian fell, killed colored clouds, illumined at intervals long separation. Eugene introduced by a bullet in the forchead : with lurid light the battle-field of the me to his wife-a lady as lovely as she At the end of the engagement Colo morrow. Nothing else lit up the camp, was charming-and showed me with nel de Valmont, returning to camp, No fires were allowed, as a measure of pride his son-a fine chubby child, passdd over the scene of the conflict. with curly hair, and the splendid blue The body of the lieutenant still lay All were not asleep, however. Be- eyes of its mother. He simply wer there on its back. A thin tricklet of side the outposts and pickets, many in shipped this boy-poor fellow!--and blood marked the spot of the bullet

a low tone and discussed the probable "'De Valmont was on leave, and at with profound emotion. A few yards his wife's desire they were about to off some dismounted men were guard-In the middle of a small group of visit Itally. Not to fatigue the child ing Austrian prisoners, among whom officers, who talked over the chances their route was mapped out in short was an officer of Albrecht's Hussars. of the morrow, was Colonel Eugene stages. They were resting two days Pointing to the dead body the colonel de Valmont, who commanded a regi- at Marseilles before going to Genoa by asked:

" 'In the afternoon of my arrival, as branch of the service. Although a the weather was glorious, little Lucien One month after the peace of Villadisciplinarian, he was beloved in the was sent with his nurse down to the franca, Eugene de Valmont returned regiment by officers and men alike, and sea, on that magnificent beach, where to Paris with the army of Italy, where the splendid palace of Prado stands, he found the following awaiting his Colonel de Valment appeared to pay Two hours after this the nurse return- arrival: little attention to what was said. He ed alone, looking like a mad woman. seemed in a profound reverie, as he The eyes were starting out of her head, bit, rather than smoked a half-consum- and, sobbing and crying, she threw that I am still at the military hospital

cigar. Turning suddenly to his sur- herself at the countess's feet, and said here, where I shall remain until all geon-major, a veteran with a well-she had lost the child. She and her our wounded are removed. They charge were playing on the beach, brought in the other day several "Brisac, do you believe in presenti- where they were attracted by the per- marauders caught by our men rifling "It depends, Colonel. One may crowd bad assembled, and the boy was tried to escape they fired. Among valuable and intractive to the household. have them, no doubt; but to admit not out of her sight for half a minute.

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The seemed of the way are every found in the seemed of the way are every seemed of the way a "You look upon them as valueless - to have been spirited away. She called ed my services to dress her wound, devoid of any prophetic importance?" his name at the top of her voice, and and judge of my amazement when I one year six months "Ah! It is true, as is said, that all hausted. Bystanders who heard her me, Dr. Brisac, I am La Severina." you doctors are more or less material- cries helped her in her search; but Under the withered features of the

sub-lieutenant.

In a few hours we shall need all the case of kidnapping, and went to work, at Marceilles. but failed to find a clew. They One by one the group broke off, and searched for weeks through all the shall tell you later on, poverty compresently there was only three officers slums of the city—the low quarters pelled her to abandon the child at -the major, a captain and sub-lieuten- where the dregs of the population Vienna. She left it to the charity of congregate, the scum of the Meditter- the landlord where she lodged-No. "What did the Colonel mean by pre- ranean-but with no success. A de- 20 Rosenstrasse-and never heard of the sentiments?" asked the younger of scription of the child was sent to every boy after. This address will give you -them. "We know he has no fear consul, with orders to make full inquiry, some trace. Apply at once to the about to-morrow; yet his manner and De Vatmont himself obtained special Austrian embassy. Tout a toi, his last words, to say the least, are not leave of absence from the war office and spent a year in trying to solve the "Had you been longer in the regi- mystery. He returned more dead than ment, youg felow," replied the major, alive to bury his wife, whom grief had

pists and retiring from the world. But "But what is the cause of this recur- hope sustains him still. He believes, large red seal bearing the Austro-Hunif his boy is not drowned, that Provi- garian arms. He read as follows: "The cause?" said the captain, "why dence will take pity on him and yet humor him in his hope. He has since to inform you, in answer to your "Well, here is Brisac back from his regiment; but the wound at his heart Vienna, at the address given, on the never healed, and when it breaks 20th of September, 1846, was adopted The surgeon-major being appealed to out afresh he becomes sad and sor- by a benevolent gentleman. He was ment.

> word, and wreaked a terrible reenge!

Brisac finished his story and wished all good night.

"We have six hours for sleep, my boys, and then-!" On the morrow, at the early hour of

tended for a distance of two miles on manners. He came of a distinguished each side of the plain. The French letter. family, and his friends kept his purse had brought almost all their guns into well filled; in short, he could get action. The Austrian batteries posted money as fast as he wanted to on the opposite hills replied with a well-directed fire. In this artillery "We served three years together, duel, which lasted for some hours, the when de Valmont got leave to ex- advantage remained with the French. mother was the cause of this, for she tion was more than counterbalanced had in view for him a marriage with a by the deadly effect of the rifled guns rich heiress. Leaving Algiers would of the French, which were first have been all plain sailing except for employed in war-fare at the memorabidding 'farowell' to a certain lady call- ble battle of Solferino. The carnage ed La Severina, a danseuse at the the- was frightful and the result disastrous

plexion and with raven black hair. In At three o'clock on that day-June her large expressive eyes and in her 23d 1859-the French were formed up firmly-cut mouth there was a signifi- to advance under a withering musketcant indication of determination, ry fire to assault the tower of Solferino, which suggested that the young lady the key of enemy's position. Marshall would be more desirable as a friend Benedeck then called on his cavalry than as an enemy. She said she was to make a supreme effort, which, had an Italian, having been born at Rome; it been successful, would have changed

traveled through all countries-rope- The Austrian cavalry were massed friends in it." behind a fringe of wood which effectu-"La Severina had corceived for Eu- ally concealed their movements from hurt yourself?" gene a passion as violent as it was the French. Suddenly they were seen hopeless. When she heard of his pro- to emerge from their shelter and to ind on my own doorstep, but only posed departure she was wild; when prepare for a determined charge, to slightly. Were you hurt?" she learned the motive of it she turned take in flank those battallions which a demon. Failing in a determined had already reached the slopes of the place while the rioting was going attempt to batilk his plans by stabbing bills. Gen, Niel saw the danger, and on." him with a stiletto, she assured him immediately hurled against them the

sight beneath.

Eugene's return. We kept up a con-charge "home" that Colonel de Valstant correspondence, and I learned of mont suddenly saw rise before him his marriage and a birth of one son, about a dozen-hussars, in white, of the whom he called Lucien. He continu- Archduke Albrecht's regiment. Led ally pressed me to exchange and go by a young lieutenant with fair and a budding mustache, they sabred the "At length I got appointed to a French dragoons with maniacal fury had arrived from Milan during the cavalry regiment quartered in Paris, making their way through them like a

asleep. De Valmont gazed at him

that brave fellow?"

"Karl Gottfried," was the answer.

MILAN, August 6th, 1859. MY DEAR OLD FRIEND: You know formance of some acrobats. A small the dead, and on some of them who ran up and down the beach until ex- heard her say: "You don't remember woman I recognized your former ac "Was Lucien drowned?" asked the quaintance in Algiers. By what series of misfortunes she came to be a "This was the question started, but despoiler of the dead I shall not atwhich should be banished on the eve of a day like what to-moraow promises to be."

This was the question started, but it seemed well nigh impossible. The child could only toddle, and the sea was too far from the place indicated by the nurse. So this hypothesis was and advise you all to do the same.

"I shall turn in and get some rest and advise you all to do the same."

"I his was the question started, but the dead I shall not at the place in the dead I shall do at the sea that before dying she allowed the priest to communicate a part of her to the best room of any home.

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"After a host of adventures, which I

BRISAC." Mad with joy, the colonel ran to the embassy and explained the object of his mission. For a fortnight after, which seemed to him a lifetime, he "As to the colonel, at first he had lived in a fever of suspense, and was serious intentions of joining the Trap- going to bed one night when his valet brought him an official letter, with a

"Monsieur le Comte-I am instructrestore him. Vain delusion! But we ed by the minister of foreign affairs devoted his whole life and soul to his iquireis, that the child abandoned in Olmutz, which he left last year with "La Severina, I believe, has kept her the rank of sub-lieutenant. Posted to S. A. T., the Archduke Albrecht's regiment of Hussars, he was killed at the battle of Solferino. He bore the name of his adopted father, Karl Gottfried." One hour afterward the valet enter-

ed the colonel's room and found him sitting in his chair. His face was six o'clock, a double line of smoke ex- deadly white. His eyes dilated and immovable, were fixed upon the fatal

The servant touched him lightly on the shoulder, and his master dropped motionless on the floor.

He was dead.

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"Billy, I hear you were married few days ago."

"Yes, that's so." "Well, how do you like the married

"Oh purty well." "And your wife-how do you like

"Oh, tolerable. But I ain't got used to her yit very well; mebbe after I git use to her I'll like her better. She's got some doggone curious ways which I didn't know of afore I got married.'

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